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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECTS: FOREST INDUSTRIES AND LIVESTOCK

REF: (A) STATE 210614, (B) MANILA 12968, (C) 75 MANILA 251&8
(D) 75 RANGOON 0566, (E) RANGOON 0770

1. AS INDICATED BY REFTELS B-D, ABD TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
GRANT PROVIDED FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY OF FOREST INDUSTRIES
PROJECT; ABD SELECTED UK FIRM AS CONSULTANT FOR STUDY;
AND THE STUDY HAS ALREADY BEEN COMPLETED.

2. EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED THIS PROJECT WITH MEMBER OF
RECENT ADB MISSION AND WITH GUB TIMBER CORPORATION OFFICIALS.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT ADB ESTIMATED FOREIGN EXCHANGE COSTS
OF PROJECT AT \$26.1 MILLION AND OFFERED LOAN OF \$23 MILLION
IF GUB COULD COME UP WITH ADDITIONAL \$3.1 MILLION IN FOREIGN
EXCHANGE PLUS LOCAL CURRENCY COSTS. GUB INFORMED BANK THAT
IT COULD PROVIDE NO FOREIGN EXCHANGE, ADB THEN UPPED ITS
OFFER TO \$25 MILLION.

3. ACCORDING TO GUB TIMBER CORPORATION, CONSULTANTS, IF
ANY, WILL BE HIRED ON INDIVIDUAL BASIS. PROSPECTIVE
CONSULTANTS SHOULD CONTACT GENERAL MANAGER, TIMBER
CORPORATION, AHLONE P.O., RANGOON, BURMA.

4. NEED FOR CONSULTANTS IN LIVESTOCK PROJECT BEYOND
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THAT DESCRIBED IN REF B D

OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PORTION
NOT YET DETERMINED. EXPRESSION OF INTEREST SHOULD BE
SENT TO GENERAL MANAGER, VETERIVTARY AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY
CORPORATION, C/O MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS,
RANGOON. WEALSO SUGGEST THAT COPY BE SENT TO FAO
ADVISOR, C/O UNDP, RANGOON, BURMA. ACCORDING TO GUB,
THIS PROJECT INCLUDES:

- 1) THREE POULTRY FARMS EACH TO PRODUCE 1754 EGGS,
250,000 CHICKS AND
20,000 BROILERS ANNUALLY.
- 62 THREE PIG FARMS EACH TO ACCOMMODATE 350 SOWS.
- 3) TWO DUCK FARMS. 4) TWO BEEF CATTLE FARMS.
- 5) FOUR DRAUGHT AND BEEF CATTLE FARMS.

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